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Applicants: Derek D. Mahoney, Walter P. Sjursen, Wayne J. Staab and Marvin Leedom

Application No.: 09/524,040

Group: 2743

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Filed: March 13, 2000

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For: ONE-SIZE-FITS-ALL UNI-EAR HEARING INSTRUMENT

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

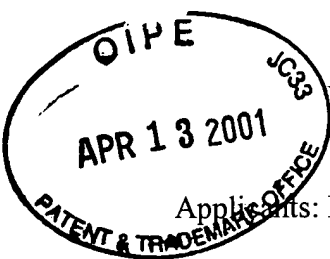
Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above identified application as follows:

In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph at page 4, lines 13 through 25 with the following paragraph:

Despite numerous attempts including those described above, there remains a need for a mass-produced hearing instrument that is relatively inexpensive, readily adaptable to an individual's anatomical and audiological requirements, and that is inconspicuous and lightweight. It has been discovered that the development of a prosthetic device that occupies the

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is Preliminary Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

[] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.

[] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

(COL. 1)	(COL. 2)	(COL. 3)	(COL. 4)	(COL. 5)
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
TOTAL	18	MINUS	* 20	0
INDEP	6	MINUS	** 6	0
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				

* not fewer than 20
** not fewer than 3

SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X \$9	\$
X \$40	\$
+ \$135	\$

TOTAL = \$ 0

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X \$18	\$ 0
X \$80	\$ 0
+ \$270	\$

TOTAL = \$ 0

Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 for the following fees:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Petition for [] month Extension of Time	\$	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Amendment Fee	\$	_____
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A check is enclosed in payment of the following fees:

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	TOTAL:	\$	<u>0</u>

☒ A general authorization is hereby granted to charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 for any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 in order to maintain pendency of this application. A copy of this authorization is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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